Annual Isaac Dockery Day Dinner, Silent Auction

June 12 in Sevierville

The fifth Annual Isaac Dockery Day Dinner and Silent Auction will be held at the Sevierville Civic Center, 200 Gary Wade Boulevard in Sevierville on Sunday, June 12, at 3 p.m.

Family and friends will be celebrating the legacy of Isaac Dockery. In the mid and late 1800s, Isaac was instrumental in establishing the brick masonry tradition throughout Sevier, Cocke, Jefferson and Hamblen counties of East Tennessee.

This event is an ongoing fundraiser to preserve the New Salem Baptist Church built by Isaac Dockery, his family, and the community in 1886. The building is listed on the National Registry of History Places and the East Tennessee's **Endangered Heritage** List. Join in as they give "thanks" with a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner in June, prepared and served by Isaac Dockery's descendants. Keynote speaker for the evening will be Segun Idowu.

Idowu is a 2012 Phi Beta Kappa and Cum Laude graduate of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, where he earned his Bachelor of Arts in History. He serves as Visitor Services Manager for the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate. He simultaneously serves as the Co-Chair for the Housing Committee of the Boston Chapter of the NAACP, as well as the Co-Organizer of the Boston Police Camera Action Team (BPCAT). He is the great-great-grandson of Isaac Dockery. The Isaac Dockery descendants will provide the entertainment for the event.

Tickets for the Isaac Dockery Day Dinner are \$25. May 19 was proclaimed Isaac Dockery Day by the Tennessee Legislature in 2012.

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